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In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicant hereby submits copies of six references, listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Each of these references was cited in a first Office Action from the German Patent Office dated November 4, 2003, in connection with a related application. A copy of this Office Action is also enclosed.

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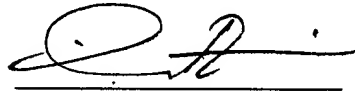
submitted is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(b).

A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language references WO 99/02310, EP0073693, and DE 3101363, as currently understood, is provided by the English abstracts attached to each non-English reference. A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language reference DE 9010716 U1, as currently understood, is provided by the figure in that reference. A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language reference DE 29709437 U1, as currently understood, is provided by Figures 1-3 of that reference. A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language reference DE 85 21 614 U1, as currently understood, is provided by Figure 1-4 of that reference.

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